

effective, account being taken of new circumstances.

France will not intervene in the internal affairs of Russia, but cannot admit that the Soviet armies shall cross the Russian frontiers to attack the allies of France.

Promises of economy, renovation of the financial administration and intensified reconstruction of devastated regions made up the remainder of the program, which, judged by the applause, satisfied the great majority of the members of the National Assembly.

Two Candidates Lead Field for Hays's Position

Miller, of Minnesota, and Adams, of Iowa, Favored if National Chairman Accepts Cabinet Place

Fight Still Under Surface

Definite Action Expected if the Committee Meets During Inauguration Week

By Carter Field

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—With the practical certainty that Will H. Hays is going into the Harding Cabinet as Postmaster General and on the assumption that he will accept the portfolio he would resign as chairman of the Republican National Committee, Republican leaders are quietly lining up their forces for this or that candidate for the national chairmanship.

The two men most frequently mentioned for the place are Clarence B. Miller, of Minnesota, secretary of the national committee, and formerly a member of the House from the Duluth district, and John T. Adams, of Iowa, vice-chairman of the national committee.

The fight so far is very much under the surface, but it is expected to blaze out in full strength at the meeting of the committee, which is expected to be held during inauguration week. There has been no call for a committee meeting at that time, but most of the members of the committee will be here, and up to the time of the inauguration ceremonies it had been assumed that the committee would meet here at that time.

Despite the curtailment of the inauguration plans opinion of some of the leaders is that the meeting of the committee will be held anyhow, and that it will be appropriate at that time for Hays's resignation to be accepted and for a new chairman to be elected.

Discussion Based on Assumption
Discussion of the situation has been more or less delicate, being based, as it is, entirely on an assumed fact—the appointment of Mr. Hays as Postmaster General—which has not been officially announced by Mr. Harding or admitted by Mr. Hays.

But the friends of Mr. Hays are certain that he is going into the Cabinet, and that it is his duty to accept the place. They are sure that if he does so he should retire as national chairman, and hence the lines are being drawn and fences patched up with a view to selecting his successor.

There are some who think that he would merely give up the active work as national chairman, but still retain the title during his incumbency in the Cabinet. They point to the case of George B. Cortelyou, who, for two years after taking the reins at the Postoffice Department, continued to hold the title of national chairman, with Harry New Deal doing the work under the title acting chairman.

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Guatemala Cuts Army Of 15,000 to 5,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Guatemala's standing army of 15,000 men is to be cut to 5,000, Julio Bianchi, Minister from Guatemala, announced to-night, adding that it was "an action of much interest with the press of the world discussing disarmament."

sent by the party leaders to the Philippines during the early days of the Wilson Administration to get the facts for a smash on the Democratic party and its handling of the islands. Since the election he has been considered—due to his knowledge of the Philippines and his sympathy with the Republican position as to them—suitable for governor general of the islands.

Still other possibilities for the national chairmanship hang on the Cabinet slate. For example, if Harry M. Daugherty should decide at the State Department that he did not want to be Attorney General, an office which it is understood he can have if he wishes, it is likely that Harding would like to see him made national chairman. The same might apply to A. T. Hertz, of Kentucky, if he should decide against accepting a portfolio. Both know the game of practical politics from the ground up and would be highly satisfactory to the wheel horses of the party.

Which brings up the obvious fact that the one President-elect Harding can have any one he wishes for national chairman if he chooses to take a hand in the situation.

Stokes Seeks to Name Another Correspondent

Justice Ford in the Supreme Court yesterday reserved decision on the application of W. E. D. Stokes, hotel and railroad man, for permission to amend his complaint in the divorce action against Mrs. Helen Elwood Stokes so as to include additional allegations and the name of another correspondent.

Mrs. Stokes, now living in Denver with her children, whose custody was awarded to her by Judge Ben Lindsey, of Denver, came to New York to make affidavit denying the charges of her husband.

There is no autocracy of power in America except as the people have it in their own hands.

"Young men and women are coming into full citizenship, and I would ask you to strive for excellence. The worst doctrine is that of basing everything on a foundation of mediocrity. That is why America rejected internationalism, because that meant the destruction of the American people."

Mr. Stokes mentions dates from 1911 to 1918 as the time of the defendant's alleged indiscretions. John D. Lindsey, appearing for Mrs. Stokes, characterized the action of Mr. Stokes as "a series of contemptible charges."

The attorney said Mr. Stokes, after originally making his allegations, now seeks to narrow down the charges by eliminating 75 per cent of them.

Mrs. Stokes said she had a letter from a man mentioned in the suit by her husband, who had read in San Francisco that his name had been linked with the case and who offered to make an affidavit that the charges were untrue.

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Harding Goes To Florida for 2 Weeks' Rest

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staggered out of the house laden with a packing box.

"You," he cautioned, "had better get out of here or she'll put you to work, too."

Through the windows Mrs. Harding could be seen sitting from room to room, now stopping to crowd something into a barrel or trunk, now pausing to direct a servant to carry a piece of left-behind furniture to the house of Dr. George T. Harding, father of the President-elect.

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Dry Town Crimeless, Sells Its Calaboose

WAUSAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 20.—Joseph Jejois to-day bought the Wausaukee jail for \$38, and will use it for a woodshed. City officers, in explaining the sale, said that since the advent of prohibition the jail, which has been in service for thirty years, has been idle.

part of her estate to institutions and homes that exist for the amelioration of the suffering of animals and the care of cats.

William C. Wilder, law partner of Mrs. Ewen, the contestant, pictured Miss Ewen as a woman of deranged mind. Mr. Wilder said it cost the best-laid and her sisters about \$100,000 to undo her marriage to "Baron" von Koenitz, which she contracted because she wanted the title. The trial will be continued to-day.

Legionnaires Ask House to Preserve U. S. Army Strength

Appeal by Delegation Aimed at Resolution to Reduce Military Force to 175,000; Need More Men, Says Baker

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—A plea that the potential military strength of the country developed during the war at the expenditure of vast sums of money be not entirely lost through the general drastic economies being planned by Congress was made to-day before the House Committee on Military Affairs by a delegation representing the American Legion.

While the army reorganization act was declared by the legionnaires to be a disappointment to "advocates of a suitable military policy," in that no provision was made for universal training, "they recognized that the legislation in question provided a more comprehensive military policy than we have had before."

Speaking for the American Legion committee on military affairs, Wade H. Hayes, of New York City, the chairman, pointed out a policy of the veterans' organization when he said it "recognizes and indorses fully the necessity for economy." He emphasized, however, that "appropriations and policy are inextricably tied together," and warned that "the lack of appropriations may change policy by actually killing a link in the scheme of the reorganization act."

The protest of the American Legion representatives was aimed at the resolutions adopted by the House and Senate limiting enlistments to 175,000. The strong objection was made to the reorganization act, which would reduce the army to 175,000 men.

"The American Legion's sole concern is to preserve the policy as outlined in the reorganization act," declared Mr. Hayes. He was seconded by Arthur F. Crosby, of New York City, and Dr. John Markey, of Frederick, Md.

Reduction of the army to 175,000 enlisted men will make impossible the War Department plan of carrying out the scheme of providing one complete division of fighting men in each of the nine army corps contemplated in the army reorganization act, Secretary of War Baker said to-day.

The War Secretary contended that it would be impossible to fill all the various staff departments and provide the customary auxiliary troops with an enlisted personnel limited to 175,000 men. He advanced the statement that after the Porto Rican regiment, Philippine Scout organizations, coast artillery, coast defenses, insular possessions guard and supply troops of the army had been filled the number of 175,000 enlisted men would be reduced to a very small mobile army of actual fighting men.

Ford Gains 1,924 Votes
Over Newberry in Recount

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Recount of votes in 1,289 of Michigan's 2,232 precincts accomplished when the day's work of the Michigan State Board of Elections Committee ended to-night with Henry Ford a net gain of 1,924 votes over Senator Newberry in their Senatorial contest. Senator Newberry's plurality was about 7,600.

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Street and Afternoon Gowns at \$55-\$85

Formerly to \$195—Unusually smart styles in tricotine, duvetyne, chiffon velvet, velveteen and satin, including handsome embroidered effects.

Day Coats and Wraps at \$85

Formerly to \$175—A showing of very desirable effects showing many clever combinations of fur and cloth.

Street and Semi-Dress Hats at \$10

Formerly to \$45—Of velvet, duvetyne and panne, flower trimmed wigs—bow and fur-trimmed styles.

French Criticize Harding Idea of 'Disarmament'

Ironical Views Expressed in Unofficial Circles on Suggestion of New Association to Insure Peace

Change Every Four Years

Newspaper Makes Satirical Forecast of Reception of the Proposed Envoys